

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU
March 29, 1917—Last twenty
four hours: rain, 1.0
Temperature, Min. 65; Max.
75. Weather, part cloudy.

Hawaiian Gazette

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Cents Dollars
90° Centrifugal N. Y. per lb. per ton
Price, Hawaiian basis 5.705 \$114.10
Last previous quotation 5.528 \$111.60

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WILSON WILL CALL FOR DECLARATION OF WAR IS NOW BELIEF IN CAPITAL

Officials Coming Rapidly To the Conclusion That President Has Already Mapped Out Course of Action, But White House Remains Mute; Bills Mobilizing National Guard Expected When Congress Convenes Next Monday

UNIVERSAL SERVICE ALSO

(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable.)
WASHINGTON, March 30.—President Wilson in his address before congress at the opening of the special session next Monday will ask the national legislature to declare war on Germany. He will also ask for the adoption of a resolution declaring that a state of war between the United States and Germany already exists.

Such is the assumption in official circles today, as expressed by those who are in close touch with the situation and are in a position to know the course the President intends to pursue.

Only one thing, it is known, can change the attitude of the United States and prevent war between this country and that of Kaiser Wilhelm. That one thing is a complete breakdown on the part of the German government from its stand on the question of submarine warfare. If Germany agrees completely to abandon her murderous piratical methods of waging war and promises to abandon the sinking of neutral ships, the murder of unoffending Americans and the deliberate violation of all the laws of civilized warfare, then, and only then, may war be avoided. But if Germany insists, as it was reported from Berlin yesterday that Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg told the reichstag she would insist, upon carrying out her policy of wholesale murder, there can be no other result than war.

It is declared in administration circles here that the President is prepared to speak along broad lines of policy, rather than upon particular incidents. Indeed it is believed that he will touch but lightly upon the individual incidents that had drawn the country into war with Germany, but will devote most of his address to outlining those basic principles which lie at the root of the government of the United States. Officials feel, they declared last night, that he regards the time past for a discussion of the incidents important in themselves, but of minor consequence when compared with the fundamental question of preserving the honor and safety of the nation untouched.

State department officials last night, laughed at the idea that the address of von Bethmann-Hollweg in the reichstag, could in any way affect the situation here.

"The time has gone past when the words of any German official be he never so important, can be regarded seriously by any nation, unless they are preceded and followed by actions. One thing only can affect the situation now. Germany must put a complete stop to her piratical submarine warfare."

Meanwhile, the belief is gaining ground that Germany is losing steadily and has now reached the point where she has lost all hope of winning the war. Military authorities here express the belief that a draw is the best that Germany now expects.

Measures for preparing the United States for war advanced rapidly yesterday and took such form that it is now believed that the President, even without any action by congress, would be able to put an army of 700,000 men in the field.

President Wilson held a conference with Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, at which measures for the prompt securing of an increased army were discussed. At another important conference Secretary of War Baker considered with administration leaders legislation needed for an adequate military establishment.

Senator Chamberlain expressed the belief that President Wilson already has the authority, without any further action on the part of congress, to call together an army of 700,000 men by bringing the national guard to full war strength. It was agreed among the administration leaders that any bill necessary to provide an adequate army to meet the present situation should be expedited in the senate.

President Wilson declined to make any statement as to what course of action he intends to pursue.

LINER NOT LOST BUT SAFE IN CHINA PORT

Awaji Maru Reported Sunk By Raider, Turns Up Unharmed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
TOKIO, March 29.—The Awaji Maru, the Japanese liner reported to have been lost in the Gendai Sea, has reached Niuchwang, China, with all safe on board. There was no accident reported.

Rumors were spread throughout Japan that a German raider was operating in the China Sea, and following this rumor the press published a story that the Japanese liner was missing. The rumor is said to have been spread by speculators who are supposed to have made a big sum of money on the stock market.

Following the arrival of the Japanese steamer at Niuchwang, the Japanese government appointed an investigation committee to find out the source of the story. Steamship stock dropped when the announcement was made that the steamer had been lost.

SLAVS PLAN TO STIR UP REVOLT IN BERLIN

Revolution Similar To Their Own Said To Be Their Aim Now

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PETROGRAD, March 29.—Revolution in Germany and Austria is the aim of a popular movement here, led by radicals under the new Russian government, itself based on revolution. An appeal to the workmen of Germany and Austria to rise against imperialism and to establish popular freedom was launched today at a great mass meeting of workers, soldiers and deputies held in the duma.

COAL AND COKE RATES MAY BE RAISED BY ROADS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 29.—The interstate commerce commission today made a decision permitting increases in coal and coke rates to Eastern railroads.

AMONG the many things which Uncle Sam will make use of when he goes to war with the modern pirates, will be mines. The war in Europe has developed the construction of these weapons wonderfully, and the picture below shows American sailors, at work with some of the very latest and most efficient mine.



SPANIARDS RIOT AGAINST ALFONSO

Government In Washington Receives Reports Of Outbreaks Over Food Shortage

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 29.—Reports have reached Washington and are received with deepest interest that there is widespread unrest in Spain because of the Spanish government's attitude toward war, the shortage of food and other necessities.

These reports, made to officials of the state department by diplomatic and consular officers, are so explicit that the officials received without surprise the latter announcement that the Spanish government has suspended the ordinary constitutional guarantees under civil law and is taking radical measures to suppress the exhibitions of discontent.

APPEAL TO PEOPLE

PARIS, March 29.—The "appeal to the people," which has been issued in Spain, has been declared by the government to be seditious and immediate measures were taken to suppress it and to crush those who were responsible for its circulation. The signers have been arrested. Their names are withheld.

APPEAL SEDITIOUS

LONDON, March 29.—The official gazette at Madrid today published a decree suspending the constitutional guarantees in all provinces of Spain. It is announced that Spain will adopt measures necessary to the preservation of order, in view of a recent "appeal to the people," which is characterized as a seditious document.

UNIONS CLOSED UP

MADRID, March 29.—The headquarters of the Spanish trade unions here were closed today.

BRITAIN SEEKING FOR MORE MEN FOR ARMIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 29.—The bill for re-examination of men rejected in military service and men discharged for wounds or illness today moved to second reading in the house of commons.

CHINA RECOGNIZES RUSS GOVERNMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PEKING, March 29.—The government of China has formally recognized the provisional government of Russia.

TWENTY-TWO NEUTRALS ARE AT LAST FREED BY GERMANY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
COPENHAGEN, March 29.—Twenty-two neutrals, taken from various vessels by the German raider Moewe, including an American, have been released, says news received here today.

Haig Battering His Way Forward Wins Two More Towns

British Official Communique Announces Steady Advance of the Troops On the Western Front. While Victory Over Turks In Palestine Is Also Reported

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 30.—Sir Douglas Haig is still battering back the German forces opposing him south of the Croisilles, and last night the official British communique announced the fall of two additional villages into the hands of the British cavalry, which is steadily following on the heels of the retreating German infantry. The first and most important of these towns was Neuville, about two and half miles southwest of Croisilles. This was followed by the capture of Bourjonval, where the Germans made a desperate resistance to the attacking forces.

The reports last night laid emphasis upon the continuing victories of the British in the Holy Land, who are marching against the Turks in Jerusalem. According to the official statements the Turkish armies have been broken there and are retreating, followed by the Arabs and the British cavalry. Berlin reported that the French had attacked unsuccessfully in the Champagne district, and had been thrown back, with heavy loss.

WILSON APPROVES PLAN TO RAISE FUND FOR JEWS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 29.—President Wilson today endorsed the plan to raise \$10,000,000 for relief of Jewish war sufferers. He said, "The Russian revolution has opened the door to freedom of an oppressed people," and urged encouragement of them in their new liberty.

SUGAR CARGO SUNK BY TEUTON DIVER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 29.—News reached the State department today that the British bark Neith, with a cargo of sugar, was torpedoed off Eastnet, unwarned. The crew, including a number of Americans, reached safety.

ASSOCIATED PRESS WINS ITS FIGHT WITH WEAST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 29.—The federal court today granted an application by The Associated Press for a writ of injunction restraining the International News Service from appropriating Associated Press news prior to its publication by Associated Press members.

MILITIAMEN WANT SERVICE MEASURE

Convention In New York Votes Appeal To American Cities To Pay Honor To Flag

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 30.—The delegates to the National Defense Convention of the National Guard Association, in session here, last night adopted a resolution without an objector, calling upon two hundred and fifteen mayors of the leading cities of the United States to cooperate in the patriotic display of the Stars and Stripes. The convention also went on record as being in favor of compulsory military service throughout the country as speedily as possible, and it also voted its approval of the suggestion that the national guard receive its training as a part of the federal forces.

PLAN MONUMENT FOR BUFFALO BILL CODY

(By The Associated Press.)
CODY, Wyoming, March 29.—Plans for the erection of a statue for "Buffalo Bill"—Col. William F. Cody—here in his home town have been given impetus with the passage of a bill by the legislature appropriating \$5000 to assist the local committee. The local organization anticipates no difficulty in raising the full amount needed.

GERMAN ARRESTED AS AGENT OF KAISER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
GULFPORT, Mississippi, March 29.—Charles Riehard Constantine Herckrath, a bond man, was arrested at Long Beach, Miss., today on the charge of being a suspicious character, and is held for investigation. Federal officials suspect that he is officially connected with Germany and may be violating United States neutrality. He protested his innocence of any wrongdoing.

JAPANESE STEAMER IS GIVEN UP FOR LOST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
VANCOUVER, B. C., March 30.—The Japanese steamship Gishur Maru has been given up for lost. It is believed that she foundered in the gales that swept the Pacific during the month of February.

The Gishur Maru left this port January 23, and on January 30 cleared from Seattle with a cargo of munitions from Russia. She has not been heard of since.

Ground Glass Found In Bandages To Be Used By Red Cross

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 30.—Ground glass has been placed in bandages intended for the use of the American Red Cross, according to a startling announcement made here yesterday.

Albert Straub, director of the Atlantic division of the American Red Cross, stated that several instances had been discovered where traitors, disregarding all the laws of humanity and the rules of civilized warfare, have sprinkled ground glass inside bandages intended for the use of the wounded. No arrests have been made as yet and it is not known whether or not any clues have yet been found pointing toward the perpetrators of the inhuman act.

AMERICANS HELD BY THE PRUSSAINS

Report That Whitlock and Staff Will Be Deported From Brussels By Germans

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 29.—Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, is to be made a prisoner of the Teutonic war machine, if a report which has reached this city from Brussels proves correct. It is asserted that the German authorities in the stricken land had intimated that they will not permit the American minister to remain at his post, but will deport him and his staff in pretty much the same manner they have deported thousands upon thousands of helpless, homeless women and children. That the action is a clear violation of the laws of war makes no apparent difference to the men who support Belgian women as a part of a cold-blooded policy of "frightfulness."

CHRISTIAN CONVERTS IN CHINA GROWING

More Than Thirty-five Million Now Profess Christ Openly

(By The Associated Press.)
PEKING, March 30.—Christian converts among Chinese number 35,298,908, according to a report just submitted to the ministries of foreign affairs and the interior by a committee which investigated religious conditions in the republic.

The figures given include both Catholics and Protestants. In all there are 2,717 Christian churches in China, and 4,288 chapels. Eight bible societies are working in the republic. Missionaries have established 181 hospitals and medical schools. Nine missionary colleges are in existence. Middle schools established by the missionaries number 171, and 2,557 primary schools have been established under missionary direction. In addition there are many Young Men's Christian Association branches in the principal cities of China.

All in all there are 1,836 male foreign missionaries, and 2,716 female foreign missionaries. In the native Christian church there are 908 native preachers, 8,381 native assistant preachers, and 1,108 native bible women. The teachers in mission schools number 2,799, and the students in these schools number 186,130. Physicians employed in mission hospitals number 388.

UNSUNG HEROES OF EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

(By The Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, New Mexico, March 30.—Less picturesque but more efficient than the old-time civilian "mule skinner" of the army, the civilian motor truck driver has found a place in the United States Army.

When General Pershing's troops were in Mexico the motor truck drivers would roll into Columbus covered with alkali desert dust, their rides strapped beside the driver's seat in a leather boot. They have been called the unsung heroes of the Punitive Expedition. Driving over hundreds of miles of mountain road, risking Mexican snipers and making night drives without headlights, the drivers of the "gas hogs" won their place.

CHANCELLOR LAYS BLAME FOR WAR ON MR. WILSON

Denies That Germany Has Ever Wanted To "Attack the United States," Or That Kaiser Wants Us To Join His Enemies Now

ADDRESS ALSO DENIES THAT WILHELM FAVORS CZARDOM

Regrets That China Has Severed Relations, But Confident That She Will "Grow Friendly When She Escapes Her Protectors"

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, March 30.—Germany has never had the slightest intention of attacking the United States, and has no such intention now, according to a declaration made by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg before the reichstag yesterday.

"Within a few days," said the chancellor in his statement, "the directors of the United States will be convened to decide upon the question of whether there shall be war or peace with Germany. Germany has never had the slightest intention of attacking the United States and has no such intention at present. Germany has never desired war with the United States and does not desire it today. Germany more than once has told the United States that unless England were made to observe her international agreements a campaign of submarine warfare against her would be begun. In the face of that warning England not only did not stop her blockade of Germany but intensified it.

"Together with her allies, England arrogantly rejected our proffered terms of peace and proclaimed that the annihilation of Germany was the intention of the Entente allies.

"It was then that Germany began her campaign of unrestricted submarine warfare in self defense.

Turning from the west to the Far East, the chancellor took up the action of China in severing diplomatic relations with Germany, and declared that that republic had been duped into her move by the "greed and egotism of her present protectors."

Continuing, the chancellor declared that "our relations with China also have been friendly in the past, and when China terminated them she acted under the external pressure of Germany's enemies. It is the object of these enemies to destroy the trade which, through care and efficiency as well as industry, we have succeeded in building up in the Orient. They hope that the war will afford them an opportunity to oust us. We hope, and not without ground, that the war will give the opportunity to rebuild what has been destroyed by our enemies."

Dealing with Russia, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg denied that Kaiser Wilhelm was desirous of restoring czarism. "Had Russia's attention," said the chancellor, "been concentrated upon the reconstruction of her internal affairs, there would have been no room for the restless policy of expansion that finally led her into war with Germany."

Reverting to the situation between Germany and the United States, the chancellor said: "If Americans consider the policy of unrestricted submarine warfare a cause to declare war against Germany, with which the United States has lived at peace for more than 100 years; if this warrants an increase in bloodshed, we do not have to bear the burden of responsibility."

The reichstag, after some discussion, adopted the emergency budget. Herr Bernstein, one of the socialist members, in a bitter speech after the close of the chancellor's address, declared that "America has been converted to the ranks of our enemies, as indeed have all other neutral nations, through the blundering of the government. It should be the sincere effort of this government to seek for a real peace at the earliest possible moment."

VON BETHMANN-HOLWEG PLEDGES MANY REFORMS

LONDON, March 29.—Information direct from Germany, in the hands of the Associated Press, asserts that the German chancellor, von Bethmann-Hollweg, will offer a large measure of electoral reform in his coming speech to the reichstag, to satisfy German opinion. The information declares also that he will offer a possible modification of the submarine campaign to prevent war with the United States.